

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicants:** Rengarajan et al.

**Examiner:** Tran, T.

**Serial No:** 09/000,626

**Group:** Art Unit 2811

**Filed:** December 30, 1997

**Docket:** 8055-42 (SME310US)

**For:** **RECESSED SHALLOW TRENCH ISOLATION STRUCTURE  
NITRIDE LINER AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME**

**To:** Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313.1450

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.196(B)(1)**

This is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.196(b)(1), which is being filed in response to a Decision on Appeal, mailed on August 26, 2003, from the Examiner's final rejection of claims 1-5, 7 and 24-25. Please amend the claims as follows:

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate (Small Entity)	Addit. Fee	Rate	Addit. Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS*	8	20	0	x 9 =	\$0	x 18 =	\$0
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